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Status

1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>30 July 2003</u>.
2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.   2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4) ☒ Claim(s) <u>1-17</u> is/are pending in the application.
    4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
6) ☒ Claim(s) <u>1-17</u> is/are rejected.
7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on <u>30 July 2003</u> is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
    Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
    Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
    a) ☐ All   b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
       1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
       2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
       3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
    * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
    Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
    Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

The information disclosure statement filed December 13, 2004 fails to comply

with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(1), which requires the following: (1) a list of all patents,

publications, applications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office;

(2) U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications listed in a section separately

from citations of other documents; (3) the application number of the application in which

the information disclosure statement is being submitted on each page of the list; (4) a

column that provides a blank space next to each document to be considered, for the

examiner's initials; and (5) a heading that clearly indicates that the list is an information

disclosure statement. The information disclosure statement has been placed in the

application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that

form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by
another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent
granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the
applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section
351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States
only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2)
of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 1-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S.

patent application 20040218612 granted to Zetterlund et al.

Regarding claim 1, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

"A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service in

a service change message comprising:

determining a group of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be taken out of

service;

creating a service change message that includes reference to multiple ephemeral

termination IDs;

and sending the service change message that includes an indication of a plurality

of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be taken out of service." see paragraphs [0017]

to [0019] (. . . Terminations T1-T6 are ephemeral terminations . . . destroyed by subtract

command (service change message) . . .); and Figure 1, MGC (sending device).

Regarding claim 2, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

" A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service in

a service change message in accordance with claim 1, wherein the step of creating a

service change message comprises creating a service change message in accordance

with the ITU-T H.248 standard." see paragraph [0020] (. . . standardized in . . . ITU-T

H.248.22.).

Regarding claim 3, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

"A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service in

a service change message in accordance with claim 1, wherein the step of creating a

service change message comprises utilizing the extension field of the service change message." see paragraphs [0064] to [0068].

Regarding claim 4, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows: "A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service in a service change message in accordance with claim 1, wherein the step of creating a service change message comprises creating a service change message comprising a list of termination identifications that correspond to the plurality of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be taken out of service." see paragraph [0064].

Regarding claim 5, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows: "A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service in a service change message in accordance with claim 1, wherein the step of creating a service change message comprises creating a service change message comprising a range of termination identifications that correspond to the plurality of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be taken out of service." see paragraphs [0065] to [0068].

Regarding claim 6, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows: "A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service in a service change message in accordance with claim 1, wherein the step of creating a service change message comprises creating a service change message comprising a list of termination identifications and a range of termination identifications that correspond to the plurality of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be taken out of service." see paragraphs [0064] to [0068].

Regarding claim 7, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

"A method for sending multiple ephemeral termination IDs to be restored into service in a service change message comprising:

determining a group of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be restored into service;

creating a service change message that includes reference to multiple ephemeral termination IDs;

and sending the service change message that includes an indication of a plurality of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be restored into service." see paragraphs [0017] to [0019] (. . . Terminations T1-T6 are ephemeral terminations . . . created by an Add command (service change message) . . .); and Figure 1, MGC (sending device).

Regarding claim 8, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:
"A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be restored into service in a service change message in accordance with claim 7, wherein the step of creating a service change message comprises creating a service change message in accordance with the ITU-T H.248 standard." see paragraph [0020] (. . . standardized in . . . ITU-T H.248.22.).

Regarding claim 9, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:
"A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be restored into service in a service change message in accordance with claim 7, wherein the step of creating a service change message comprises utilizing the extension field of the service change message." see paragraphs [0064] to [0068].

Regarding claim 10, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

"A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be restored into service in a service change message in accordance with claim 7, wherein the step of creating a service change message comprises creating a service change message comprising a list of termination identifications that correspond to the plurality of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be restored into service." see paragraphs [0064].

Regarding claim 11, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

"A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be restored into service in a service change message in accordance with claim 7, wherein the step of creating a service change message comprises creating a service change message comprising a range of termination identifications that correspond to the plurality of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be restored into service." see paragraphs [0065] to [0068].

Regarding claim 12, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

"A method for sending multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be restored into service in a service change message in accordance with claim 7, wherein the step of creating a service change message comprises creating a service change message comprising a list of termination identifications and a range of termination identifications that correspond to the plurality of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be restored into service." see paragraphs [0064] to [0068].

Regarding claim 13, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

"A method for receiving multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service in a service change message comprising:

receiving a service change message that includes an indication of a plurality of

ephemeral termination IDs that are to be taken out of service;

extracting the multiple ephemeral termination IDs that are to be taken out of

service from the service change message;

and removing the group of ephemeral termination IDs from service." see

paragraphs [0017] to [0019] (. . . Terminations T1-T6 are ephemeral terminations . . .

destroyed by subtract command (service change message) . . .); and Figure 1, MG

(receiving device).

Regarding claim 14, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

"A method for receiving multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service

in a service change message in accordance with claim 13, wherein the step of receiving

a service change message comprises receiving a service change message in

accordance with the ITU-T H.248 standard." see paragraph [0020] (. . . standardized in .

. . ITU-T H.248.22.).

Regarding claim 15, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

"A method for receiving multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service

in a service change message in accordance with claim 13, wherein the step of

extracting the multiple ephemeral termination IDs comprises utilizing the extension field

of the service change message." see paragraphs [0064] to [0068].

Regarding claim 16, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows:

"A method for receiving multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service

in a service change message in accordance with claim 13, wherein the step of

extracting the multiple ephemeral termination IDs comprises extracting a list of termination identifications that correspond to the plurality of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be taken out of service." see paragraphs [0064].

Regarding claim 17, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows: "A method for receiving multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service in a service change message in accordance with claim 13, wherein the step of extracting the multiple ephemeral termination IDs comprises extracting a range of termination identifications that correspond to the plurality of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be taken out of service." see paragraphs [0065] to [0068].

Regarding claim 18, Zetterlund meets the claimed limitations as follows: "A method for receiving multiple ephemeral terminations IDs to be taken out of service in a service change message in accordance with claim 13, wherein the step of extracting the multiple ephemeral termination IDs comprises extracting a range of termination identifications and list of termination identifications that correspond to the plurality of ephemeral termination IDs that are to be taken out of service." see paragraphs [0064] to [0068].

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

A. Berard et al (US 20040260824) discloses an autonomus media termination architecture.

B. Picha (US 20040240456) discloses structured termination identifications for ephemeral terminations.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Matthew B. Smithers whose telephone number is (571) 272-3876. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (8:00-4:30) EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Emmanuel L. Moise can be reached on (571) 272-3865. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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